

State of Alabama
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Prevention
“Children’s Trust Fund “



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Message from the Director

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It is the Mission of the Alabama Department of Child Abuse Prevention to secure resources to fund evidenced based community programs committed to the prevention of child maltreatment, we advocate for children and the strengthening of Alabama families.

Dear Advocates:

The Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention is dedicated to the prevention of child maltreatment in Alabama. By supporting over 150 organizations statewide in your community and providing services to strengthen Alabama families. By increasing protective factors that surround children and reducing risk factors, we are building stronger communities in Alabama.

Volunteers working in Grantee Programs accounted for 184,298 volunteer hours in the community, equivalent to \$3.6 million dollars in time donated.

Fatherhood programs, (a partnership between the Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and the Department of Human Resources), collected \$1.5 million dollars in unpaid child support and served 1,551 individuals. Evidence indicates improved relationships with both the child and the birth mother and saving untold amounts of taxpayer money for incarceration.

The *Mentoring Children of Prisoners (MCOP)* program has 852 adult volunteers serving as Mentors to 907 of children of prisoners around the state to help break the cycle of familial incarceration.

The Jefferson County Pilot Project to prevent child death in the birth to three population was organized with six committees in June of 2009. Approximately 76% of “preventable” child deaths in Alabama fall within the birth to three age range. The project will concentrate on Abusive Head Trauma, “Shaken Baby Syndrome” and “Unsafe Sleeping Environments”. There are 99 neighborhood organizations, eight hospitals, civic organizations, religious organizations, universities, 21 non-profits, law enforcement, the Mayors office, and many volunteers involved at the community level making this project a success.

As you can see we are very busy working hard to prevent child abuse and neglect while being good stewards of the Alabama taxpayer’s money.

My sincere regards,

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2008-2009



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2008-2009 Revenues & Expenditures

EXPENDITURES	
SALARIES	945,260
BENEFITS	341,842
TRAVEL IN-STATE	22,488
TRAVEL OUT OF STATE	11,512
REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	5,174
RENTALS AND LEASES	117,748
UTILITIES AND COMM	70,807
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	129,545
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	61,680
TRANS EQ OPS	3,864
GRANTS AND BENEFITS	7,469,074
OTHER EQUIPMENT	9,045
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,188,039

SOURCES OF REVENUE	
GENERAL FUND	915,967
EDUCATION TRUST FUND	1,724,791
FEDERAL FUND (CBCAP)	454,459
FEDERAL FUND (MCOP)	1,000,000
FEDERAL FUND(SIP)	100,000
FEDERAL FUND (TANF/DHR)	1,070,334
FEDERAL FUND (AUBURN/ACHMI)	555,329
MENTAL HEALTH\MENTAL RETARDATION	25,000
SPECIALTY CAR TAGS	92,420
CHILDREN FIRST TRUST FUND	3,078,156
PERMANENT TRUST FUND	129,944
PRIOR YEAR REFUNDS	13,251
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	28,388
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 9,188,039

2008-2009 Prevention Programs



C **CHILDREN FIRST PROGRAMS:** At-risk youth programs serve individuals age 8-17 who are experiencing factors which brought them to the attention of school systems, courts, and county facilitation teams.

- ◆ \$2.7 million funded from the Children First Trust Fund through the State Tobacco Settlement
- ◆ 61 Children First Programs enhance the lives of at-risk youth and provide family support

C **COMMUNITY-BASED CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION (CBCAP):** These programs include Family Resource Centers, Home Visitation, Parent Education and Support, and Respite Care.

- ◆ \$220,000 from Federal grant Section 201 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA)
- ◆ 10 Comprehensive Community-based programs through CBCAP monies were made available statewide



M **ENTORING CHILDREN OF PRISONERS:** Serves children of prisoners and their families. Programs recruit mentors, match mentors with children, and supervise the matches.

- ◆ \$1 million funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Federal grant
- ◆ 10 community-based organizations were funded in 22 counties, spanning all 7 congressional districts



F **ATHERHOOD PROGRAMS:** Provides education (GED), job training, child support education, substance abuse and domestic violence referral, mediation of visitation and custody issues, and education sessions on the rights and responsibilities of fatherhood.

- ◆ \$830,000 of TANF funds addressed the needs of fathers and non-custodial parents
- ◆ 20 Fatherhood Programs were funded through a partnership with DHR

H **EALTHY MARRIAGE INITIATIVE:** Provides healthy relationship services through education and support systems.

- ◆ \$88,236 in continuation funds from the Department of Health and Human Services through the Division of Child Support Enforcement Special Improvement Project (SIP)
- ◆ 2 grant projects were funded: The Family Connections in Alabama Project located in Madison County and implemented through a partnership with Auburn University.
- ◆ *Alabama Community Healthy Marriage Initiative (ACHMI):* In collaboration with Auburn University \$600,000 in funds through the U.S. Health and Human Services, supported 8 Family Resource Centers to educate families on healthy relationships and implement the ACHMI curricula.



T **RADITIONAL PROGRAMS:** Conducted mostly in school settings to impact child abuse at the primary and secondary levels and encompass all program types.

- ◆ \$2.2 million funded through Education Trust Fund and the State General Fund
- ◆ 109 Traditional prevention programs statewide

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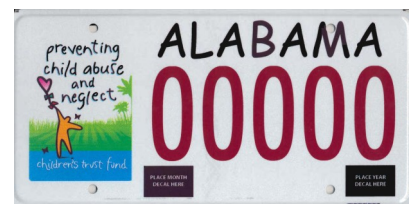
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Fatherhood Initiative Program

2008-2009

In 2008-2009, the **Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention**, the *Children's Trust Fund* in partnership with the **Alabama Department of Human Resources**, awarded over **\$830,000** to **20 Fatherhood Programs across the state**. Programs reinforce the rights and responsibilities of being a parent, as well as, offer case management and encourage financial and emotional support of Alabama children.



Fathers can influence economic well-being, social development, and emotional growth in their children.

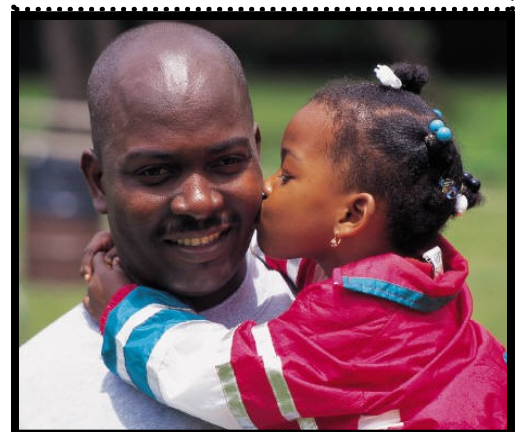
Research reveals that fathers who place importance on their role as a parent although it may be demonstrated in non-traditional ways. The *Fatherhood Program* assists fathers, young adult males, and non-custodial parents by teaching and skills that enhance their ability to maintain nurturing relationships with their children now and in the future.

2008-09 Alabama Fatherhood Programs

Alabama Parent Education Center, Wetumpka
Baldwin County Fatherhood Initiative, Bay Minette
Autauga County Family Support Center, Prattville
Calhoun Community College, Decatur
Children & Family Connection of Russell Co., Phenix City
City of Decatur Youth Services, Decatur
Community Action Agency of NW AL, Florence
Etowah Co. Community Services Program, Gadsden
Family Guidance Center of Alabama, Montgomery
Gadsden State Community College, Gadsden
Heritage Training & Career Center Inc., Montgomery
Jasper Area Family Services Center, Jasper
Marshall County Visitation & Family Center, Guntersville
National Children's Advocacy Center, Huntsville
Organized Community Action Program, Troy
Pickens County Family Resource Center, Carrollton
Tuscaloosa's One Place, Tuscaloosa
UAB Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities, Birmingham
Vineyard Family Services, Birmingham

"I was thinking of killing myself. I saw no way out. Coming to DADS' program gave me a place to talk about my options and not do something stupid. Thanks."
- Terrance B.

"It feels good to pay my child support." - Antwone L.



Congressional District Grantee Check Presentations 2008-2009

The Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention funds
175 Community-based Programs across our State.



Lee County Grantees receive \$724,000



Montgomery County Grantees receive \$529,650



Elmore County Grantees receive \$153,000



Shoals Area Grantees receive \$322,500



Colbert Lauderdale Attention Homes receive \$75,000



Etowah County Grantees receive \$433,500

Child Abuse and Neglect costs Alabama Taxpayers \$520,800,290 Annually